

## DISTRICT GIVEN MUCH PUBLICITY

Many Leading Periodicals Exploit Affairs in Washington.

Washington and District affairs generally continue to occupy increasing attention and space in the periodical press of the country. The District Public Library furnishes the following list of articles that have appeared during the last few weeks.

Behind the Scenes at Washington, Collier's, February 1, p. 13.

Blemish Amid Beauty—Washington's Industrial and Commercial Development; favors Washington improvements. Architect and Builder's Journal, December.

Books on accountancy and business at the Public Library of the District of Columbia. G. F. Bowerman, Government Accountant, December, p. 37.

Congressional Library now third largest in the world. Harper's Weekly, January 11.

Editorial comment on the report of J. B. Reynolds concerning the government of the city of Washington. Municipal Engineering, February, pt. 2, p. 38.

Improving the National Capital, Senator W. B. Heyburn, Independent, January 2, p. 37.

In the Service of Uncle Sam. H. C. Gauss, National Magazine, December, p. 315.

McKinley Memorial at the American University. Christian Advocate, Jan. 9.

The Marine Band and Santelmann. Musical Courier, March 4, p. 36.

More light on the Washington typhoid and water supply problems. Engineering News, Feb. 27, p. 235.

Most brilliant days of old-time Washington. Lyndon Orr, Munsey's, March, p. 70.

Need of a permanent Federal art commission at Washington. Architectural Record, October, p. 323.

The new reporter and how he views the doings at the Capitol. Saturday Evening Post, Dec. 11 and 28.

New business standards at Washington. Work of the Keop Commission. C. H. Forbes-Lindsay, Review of Reviews, Feb., p. 130.

Poor Washington (school situation). School Journal, Jan., p. 567.

Printing telegraph at the U. S. Capitol. Electrical World, March 7, p. 466.

Purchase of land south of Pennsylvania avenue (editorial). Brickbuilder, Jan., p. 21.

Reporting in the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives. Frank R. Hanna, Shortland Writer, Feb., p. 273.

Saving by individual electric plants in

## Steel Trust Close Rival To Uncle Sam for Wealth

With Year's Earnings Aggregating \$757,014, 767, Great Corporation Is Second in Power to the Government Only.

Next to Uncle Sam, the United States Steel Corporation, the "Billion Dollar Trust," is about the biggest thing in this country, Congress not excepted. Its operations in dollars and cents, as well as in steel and armor plate, make those of the "Beef Trust" look like the piking of a Government clerk on an outing at Benning.

Much comment has been made on the fact that the United States, through economy and the watchfulness of Mr. Tawney, has been able to accumulate a cool billion of dollars in actual gold. But this operation has taken many years of constant effort and very careful collection of customs duties.

The United States Steel Corporation in 1907—for the figures are just out—earned the grand total of \$757,014.77. The total might have been up to the billion but for the fact that the panic snipped many orders, causing their cancellation. A little matter of \$6,482,714.

The net earnings of the corporation were only \$166,964,674, because it paid out \$564,166,777 for raw material, salaries, etc. Then it paid out \$35,856,000 to happy stockholders, and \$28,940,000 to Mr. Carnegie and other bondholders, including a few millions to a sinking fund to provide for the ultimate redemption of Mr. Carnegie's bonds.

Wages and salaries were paid to 210-

180 people, an army in itself, including Mr. Corey. In all, \$180,825,000 was paid to these officials and employees.

When the panic hit the country in October the company only had \$4,000,000 in cash on hand, as compared with \$67,600,000 at the same time in 1906.

The corporation mined 22,638,801 tons of ore, and the blast furnaces produced 10,819,988 tons. Steel ingots were produced to the extent of 15,000,000 tons. Steel rails were sold to the amount of 1,733,000 tons, and 10,376,900 tons of finished steel were rolled.

Only \$66,900,000 was paid out for new construction, and the total assets of the concern are but \$1,583,113,014. In addition to all these figures that mean so much in the coin of the realm, many millions were paid for the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, and millions more went to financing the new mill town of Gary, that the corporation is building just outside of Chicago—a magic city rising on the sands on the shore of Lake Michigan. A million has been set aside for the pension fund.

Even if times are bad, even if the Government will not build as many battleships as Captain Hobson would have it, the United States Steel Corporation is planning on great things in the years to come, and is spending millions for improvements and additions with much unconcern to the future as the prosperous farmer feels when he erects a lean-to on the side of his barn.

Government buildings. Municipal Engineering, December, p. 434.

Technical works in public libraries—Public Library of the District of Columbia. Engineering News, December 12, p. 649.

Washington, Baltimore, and Annapolis single-phase electric railway. Engineering News, February 20, p. 136-7.

The Washington, Baltimore, and Annapolis single-phase railway. Street Railway Journal, February 15, p. 240.

Washington of today. E. M. Wood, Van Norden Magazine, January, p. 33.

Washington school system (editorial). Atlantic Educational Journal, February.

Washington sites available for playgrounds. Henry S. Curtis, Charities, March 7, p. 1620.

Washington situation (editorial). Atlantic Educational Journal, January, p. 22-23.

Washington's shade trees. Municipal Journal and Engineer, February 5, p. 160.

Water supply and typhoid fever at Washington. D. C. Engineering News, February 27, p. 222.

## HUGH FEGAN FUNERAL YESTERDAY MORNING

Funeral services for Hugh Fegan were held yesterday morning in St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Twenty-fifth street and Pennsylvania avenue.

Mr. Fegan died Wednesday in his home, 141 Twenty-ninth street. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Kate B. Wise Fegan, and one son, Hugh Fegan, Jr.

Mr. Fegan was sixty-two years old, and came to Washington more than forty-five years ago. He was a native of Baltimore, and had conducted a wholesale liquor establishment in this city for more than thirty years. During the last ten years, however, he took no active part in business affairs.

## OPTION ON SITE FOR COUNTRY CLUB

Admiral Rixey's Property May Be Bought by New Organization.

An option on eighty-five acres of ground for a country club has been taken by a new organization to be known as the Washington Country Club. The property under option is owned by Admiral Rixey in Virginia.

The site of the clubhouse is at the crest of a hill, standing nearly 500 feet above the river, and gives a commanding view over nearly the entire golf course, as well as an extensive panorama over the valley of the Potomac and the northern end of the District of Columbia and Maryland. The Old Dominion Electric railroad passes within 150 yards of the clubhouse site, near Rock Springs Station, about twelve minutes' ride from Georgetown.

It is the intention of the organizers of the club, many of whom are members of the Washington and other golf clubs, to purchase the land, and thus guard against the possibility of having to relinquish the property after having made expensive improvements upon it.

At the meeting held last Wednesday, Frank Upman was appointed secretary. A committee on admissions was also selected, which is to meet next Wednesday at the secretary's office to consider the names that have been presented. Among those present were Arthur W. Dunn, R. P. Looker, E. B. Looker, E. W. Talcott, A. C. Yates, Dr. J. Taber Johnson, L. B. T. Johnson, Admiral P. M. Rixey, Ira Bennett, Otto Loubert, Frank S. Bright, T. B. Jewell, Charles S. Bradley, R. H. Lynn, Prof. Percy Ash, Frank Upman, E. B. Calvert, E. Bradley, R. H. Lynn, Prof. Percy Ash, Frank Upman, E. B. Calvert, Appleton Clark, Jr., William I. Deming, J. Grayson, of the United States navy, Charles Mosier, of the Dougherty, and Dr. Boyd, United States navy.

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REAR ADMIRAL F. W. VERY TO BE RETIRED APRIL 23

Rear Admiral F. W. Very has been detached from duty as commandant of the naval station at Honolulu and ordered home to await retirement April 23. Capt. C. P. Rees, in command of the navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H., will be relieved of that duty on April 4, and will go to Honolulu to succeed Admiral Very.

He will arrive there in time to receive the officers of the fleet on their journey to the Far East.

If It's a Reception You Want Flowers, See Shaffer; reasonable prices. 14th & I.

## NOTED CONFIDENCE MAN, AFTER YEARS OF CRIME, TO END LIFE IN JAIL

"Col." Daniel S. Ward, one of the most noted swindlers and confidence men in the United States, and well known to the police of this city, is in prison in Boston. There can be but one outlook for him, to spend the balance of his days in a cell. He is seventy-four years old, and his health is such that he is not likely to live many more years.

During his career, Ward has made numerous visits to Washington, and the police have frequently been called upon by persons from whom the "colonel" obtained money on one pretext or another. He was arrested here several years ago, and six weeks ago he suddenly left the city after having run a large bill at a Pennsylvania avenue hotel.

Ward, of good parents, in Indianapolis, in the early thirties, he has passed through an experience of crime seldom equaled by any man. He has run the gamut of crime, from petty swindling at cards to conspiracy to burn a New York city.

Arrested in New York.

He was arrested in New York several days ago, and after a preliminary hearing, was held for the Boston authorities, where he was taken yesterday. Ward went to New York from Washington, and while the police of this city were looking for him for his failure to pay his hotel bill, the Boston authorities were telegraphing all over the country endeavoring to locate him.

The charge against him in Boston is much more serious than the one here, and it is not likely that any effort will be made to bring him to Washington. Ward's early youth was passed in learning the intricacies of navigation through the ever-shifting channels of the Mississippi river. Not satisfied with the excitement furnished by this occupation, he gave up the profession of a pilot and wooed the uncertain smiles of Dame Fortune across the card table.

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enlisted in the Confederate army, and saw some service, a large part of which was as a spy between the lines. In the fall of 1864 Ward, together with Captain Kennedy, Captain Beale, and three others, arrived in New York for the purpose of burning the city. Their plan was to fire various hotels and public buildings, and, if possible, cause a general conflagration.

This conspiracy was accredited to the Confederate authorities, as a retaliatory measure for the wanton destruction of property in Virginia. As a matter of fact, the Confederate authorities knew nothing of the plan. It was simply the conception of a reckless brain, incapable of seeing the end of its machinations.

Pardoned by Lincoln.

As a result of this conspiracy several hotels were fired, and Kennedy, Beale and Ward were arrested and convicted of the crime. Kennedy and Beale were hanged, but in some manner Ward escaped the death penalty, and was finally pardoned by President Lincoln. Ward claims that this was the last pardon signed by Lincoln, stating that he was assassinated by Booth the next day.

At the close of the war Ward drifted back to the region of the Mississippi and took up the trade of a gambler on the boats plying between St. Louis and New Orleans. In the early seventies he spent most of his time traveling up and down the river on the famous packets R. E. Lee and Natchez. He kept up his career until railroads superceded steamboats, when he turned to the race track.

He immediately became a plunger. Like most successful bettors, he could not resist the temptation to have a "string" of his own. For some time fortune smiled on him, and then suddenly turned, leaving him almost penniless. That it was that he took up the life of a confidence man and swindler. From that time until today his whole life has been spent in prison or scheming to trap the unwary.

ITALIAN ARCHITECTURE SUBJECT OF LECTURE

Prof. Percy Ash, of George Washington University, will lecture on "Italian Renaissance Architecture" at the Public Library next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The lecture is one of the series arranged by the National Society of the Fine Arts. It will be illustrated by the stereopticon.

Further to illustrate this lecture, about 130 photographs and colored prints have been obtained from the Library of Congress. These are being shown in the exhibition cases on the second floor of the library building.

ESCAPE BLAZING HOTEL: RESCUERS ARE OVERCOME

WATERBURY, Conn., March 21.—Fire was discovered in the United States Hospital, in Grand street, early today. The inmates were aroused by two policemen just in time to escape suffocation, but their rescuers were almost overcome.

Two men were found unconscious from gas in the rear of the building. Three gas meters had exploded in their places.

Baltimore and Ohio Shortest Route to Pittsburgh. Trains leave Washington every morning, noon and night, 9:10 a. m., 1:22 noon, 3:10 and 12:30 night.

## WARNED OF BOOK AGENT; MUSICIANS HIS VICTIMS

The Washington police have been notified to keep a sharp watch for a bogus book agent who has been operating successfully in several large Western cities. The man represents himself as the agent for a publishing concern, in which capacity he calls upon music teachers and gets a list of their pupils.

In return for the list he agrees to deliver without charge a set of musical books of considerable value. He then endeavors to collect \$3 or more to pay transportation charges.

## METHODISTS WILL MEET IN ROANOKE WEDNESDAY

The Baltimore Conference of the Southern Methodist Episcopal Church will meet at Roanoke, Va., March 25. A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore, will preside. There will not be many changes made, since only twenty-five members of the 250 change by limitation, and none of these is a presiding elder.

Of the eight districts of the conference, the Washington district is the largest, having about 10,000 members, and covering several counties in Virginia. The Rev. E. V. Register is presiding elder, and has had a successful year.

The Rev. C. D. Bulla, at Alexandria; the Rev. O. C. Beall, at Del Ray, and the Rev. W. H. Ballenger, at Calvary, have had large accessions during the year. St. Paul's, of this city, has had a noteworthy year. The Rev. P. W. Jeffreys will be removed, having completed his fourth year.

## SIGNS ON VACANT HOUSES WILL BE BETTER GUARDED

Numerous complaints have been made to the police recently by real estate dealers relative to the destruction of signs on vacant houses. Major Sylvester yesterday issued orders to the captains of the different precincts to have the men doing street duty pay special attention to such houses, and see that this class of property is given proper protection.

## WHEELER FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of William Wheeler, an old colored resident of Georgetown, who died Thursday at his home, 2904 P street northwest, will take place this afternoon at 1 o'clock from Mount Zion Church, in Twenty-ninth street.

Baltimore and Return, \$1.25, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Every Saturday and Sunday. All trains both ways, both days, except 11:41 a. m. City offices, 1417 G st. and 915 Penna. ave.

## "Sample skirts" \$4.95

\$10, \$12.50, and \$15 values.....

High-class skirts of chiffon, tulle, and imported fancy worsteds, mostly samples, and only one or two of a kind; all strictly made-to-order; full pleated and flare styles; finished with satin taffeta or silk straps or folds. In blacks, blues, and browns. Worth, some of them, as much as \$15.00 each, and none less than \$10.00. Tomorrow, choice, \$4.95. Second floor.



## The very last lot of 25c embroidered linen, 12½c yd.

All perfect. Colors fast. Laundering qualities perfect

The last shipment is to go on sale tomorrow. The quantity is just about half what we sold the first day it was offered at this never-before-price. We can get no more to sell under 25c a yard. Has a finish like linen, and will wash perfectly. The colors are the most desirable, and well scattered over the grounds are neatly embroidered spots of same yarn, and in the same shade. Twenty feet away it looks like plain linen. The imitation of linen suiting is perfect. And it wears like linen. Suitable for making separate skirts, separate coats, wash suits, and jumper dresses. See it on one of the first floor bargain tables.

## Linings for spring frocks that are "great values"

Not often that the best of linings are offered at such small prices. Tomorrow's the day to buy linings:

MERCERIZED SATIN, 36 in.; soft finish; black only. A 25c quality, offered Monday at a yard..... 14c

MARVEL SILK, a light weight beetle finish percale, fast black and colors. A 25c lining, offered at a yard..... 24c

MOIRE VELOUR { All colors and fast black. A splendid fabric for the making of drop skirts, or use as linings. Worth 30c a yard, for 21c

1st floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

45x36 bleached Pillow cases, each, 12½c

15c and 18c values, made from a fine linen finished cotton cloth, very durable and satisfactory, and good size. What you want of them tomorrow at 12½c each.

60x90 BLEACHED SHEETS made from linen finished shrunk cotton with two-inch hem, has seam in center, and will wash and wear exceptionally well. These sheets are especially desirable for hotel and for children's bed linen; regularly 50c each. Special, 47c each.

30c and 35c A YARD, soft finished bleached sheeting; choice of either 64 or 104 widths; no dressing; and at a special price to-morrow in either width, 25c a yard.

Domestics—First Floor.

## Stylish black Trimmings

Is it difficult to secure stylish trimmings for black gowns around town? Well, it isn't here. We've everything that has been ordered correct this season in Black Trimmings and at the most reasonable prices. These examples:

BLACK FINEST BAND TRIMMING with designs, formed of soutache braid, embossed embroidery or of taffeta; plain and finished ends. Some can be separated and used as motif trimming; widths vary ½ inch to 5 inches—and prices 29c to \$3.50 a yard

BLACK SILK DROPS, in pendant or tassel effect, some of soutache—10c to \$1.00 each

BLACK STRAIGHT BRAIDS, in lace or flat effect, some plain—priced 5c to 39c yard

JET BUTTONS, in dull or bright finish; all the new shapes and effects at 10c to \$12 dozen

A big sale of a little quantity—just 80 pieces

## 39c plain silk warp washable pongee suiting, while it lasts, 15c yard

The makers came near giving these goods to us. And at 15c a yard it's the next thing to a gift to the lucky buyers. This is a case of a maker being almost "painfully careful" about the condition of goods going out of their place. Stock keepers were careless. They allowed the ends of pieces to become soiled, and when the stock was drawn upon the goods were found to be a trifle soiled along one selvage. Now with washable materials like this the injury is one that amounts to nothing—positively nothing. But the makers didn't think so. They offered them to us at a few cents a yard—just to get them out of the way, they said. The sale price does not pay for the cost of the yards used in their making. Ten times as many as can get them will be glad to do so. Offered in light blue, pink, Nile, navy, brown, gray, natural tan, and fast black. These are the shades one wants for outing dresses for which this pongee is especially desirable. A real 39c washable dress fabric at 15c.

## April style books free at new location of LADIES' HOME JOURNAL PATTERNS

The new April Style Books show some very pretty patterns of new wraps, suits, skirts, waists, and there is also a wedding dress pictured that is sure to become brides.

Ladies' Home Journal Patterns cost 10c and 15c. They are easier to cut by and fully six months ahead of any other patterns in style. New location just around the corner from linings, and opposite Trimming Department.

First Floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

36-in. bleached linen waisting, a yd., 10c

A regular 15c quality, soft finished, and suitable for women's waists, children's dresses and waists, and will launder with entire satisfaction, five cents saved on the yard tomorrow. Domestics—First Floor.

25c stock-and-tie for 12½c

Both of white mull. Stock is tucked with Swiss embroidery turn-over and tie has hem-stitched ends.

A very neat neck-piece and offered Monday at 12½c. First Floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

## 54-in. shadow stripe wool taffeta, \$1.15 YARD

Ten cents to be saved on each yard of this Shadow Stripe Wool Taffeta bought Monday. As you know "shadow stripes" are the most sought after of all the spring fabrics, and the taffeta weave is so soft and pretty that it is especially adapted to the new modes. We've this shadow stripe taffeta in Copenhagen, navy blue, and tan. This fabric will appeal strongly to you.

## Spring sale mattings, with savings on every yard

So many things to buy for one's self and house, too, in spring time that such a chance as the one presented below to buy new crisp mattings should be eagerly sought after. These mattings represent our own importation, and that is partly the reason why we can afford to quote such low prices.

HEAVY CHINA MATTINGS, corded selvage, jointless, in pretty plaids and striped effects. Spring sale price Monday, a yard..... 15c

HEAVY CHINA MATTINGS, 100 and 116 lb. and 16-warp; selected straws in small checks, large blocks or stripes; some plain white. Spring sale Monday, a yard..... 29c

3d floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

COTTON WARE JAPANESE MATTINGS, carpet designs, jointless, in red, green, blue, and white colorings; also inlaid white patterns. Spring sale Monday, a yard..... 19c

HEAVY CHINA MATTINGS of painted straw in red, green, and blue plaids and checks. Spring sale Monday, a yard..... 19c